

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**COURT OF APPEALS**

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In the Matter of ALVONTRAY JEFFERY  
FRAZIER, Minor.

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

ALVIN DWAYNE FRAZIER,

Respondent-Appellant.

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April 24, 2007

No. 274915

Saginaw Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 05-030075-NA

Before: Cavanagh, P.J., and Jansen and Borrello, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals as of right the trial court order terminating his parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), and (j). We affirm. This appeal is being decided without oral argument. MCR 7.214(E).

Respondent does not challenge the trial court's finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established. Instead, he contends only that the trial court erred in determining that termination of his parental rights would not be contrary to the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5). We disagree.

The evidence showed that respondent had been inconsistent in his compliance with the parent-agency agreement and had not benefited from any of the services. His relationship with the child's mother was volatile and abusive despite counseling. Moreover, respondent never obtained suitable or stable housing, and no progress had been made on the numerous repairs that would be necessary for his home to be habitable. He failed to take any responsibility for his actions, blaming others for the removal of the child, for an ongoing theft investigation against him, and for his prior conviction for child abuse. Finally, respondent was facing charges of open murder, assault of a pregnant individual causing miscarriage or stillbirth, and felony-firearm in connection with the death of the minor child's mother.

Even assuming that respondent was not guilty of the pending criminal charges against him, he was still without stable housing and proper parenting skills. He had also failed to adequately participate in and benefit from the offered services. Respondent's failure to make any progress before his incarceration, coupled with his past history of child abuse, demonstrated

that it was highly unlikely that he would be ready and able to parent the child within a reasonable time considering the child's age. The trial court did not err in finding that termination was not clearly contrary to the child's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo*, 462 Mich 341, 354-355; 612 NW2d 407 (2000).

Affirmed.

/s/ Mark J. Cavanagh

/s/ Kathleen Jansen

/s/ Stephen L. Borrello